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TONOPAH GETS THERE

HERE is nothing lacking about Tonopah when it comes to a public celebration. The men of this camp have the punch that counts and the leaders among the mine operators have that spirit that always insures a run for the money whenever they choose to stand behind any programme designed to lend interest to the local proceedings. It was a big day, a day of overshadowing importance in the eyes of all, for it was the first Independence Day of the first European war that took on special significance on that account. The patriotic exercises reflected the spirit of the occasion through a very eloquent address by George W. Bartlett, deputy U. S. district attorney. Outdoors all was animation and in the general excitement Tonopah did not forget to look after her guests from the neighboring camps who came and enjoyed themselves to the last minute. The programme of entertainment brought forth new features that revived interest in the athletic contests. The old hand drilling operation was brought up to date with the pneumatic drills which are the real test of a modern miner's ability, and then there was the mucking which interested another section of the mining world, with the result that all classes had something to interest them. The programme will be completed this evening and then the boys will go back to the mines better satisfied for the brief respite from the daily grind of hard work. Praise is due the committees for their energy and personal interest which established each event as a success that will live long in the memories of those who were fortunate enough to be in Tonopah on this occasion.

DANGER OF THE STREET SHOW

THE Bonanza has consistently opposed granting privileges to itinerant mountebanks that are denied home taxpayers and the developments of yesterday have not caused the editor of this paper to alter his mind. A conflagration of magnitude sufficient to sweep away the business section would have been the result had one of the regular gales of the desert been blowing. Nothing on earth would have saved the city from destruction. The tented city that has been installed on Brougher avenue furnished most inviting material for a blaze and with the surrounding property dried from exposure to a month of intense heat, the spread would have been accelerated. The Bonanza believes it voices the sentiment of a majority of the people when it protests against the county commissioners sanctioning the infliction of this traveling show on the community. Certainly the business men cannot find anything to commend the show to their personal consideration since it takes away money that should go into local circulation, leaving the masses stranded until next payday. For the plain people who do not own cars there is nothing but a constant menace in dodging autos and looking after the safety of their children. The people are entitled to the use of the sidewalks and should not be compelled to risk their lives in the confusion always inseparable from a big public celebration. Automobile owners are deprived of the use of the main thoroughfare leading to the residential quarter and forced to reach their homes by a circuitous route. The position of the district attorney is untenable. There cannot be the slightest justification for blocking the streets in the interest of a private enterprise, regardless of the fact that enterprise is willing to contribute a small fraction of its earnings to a charity. The taxpayers are entitled to first consideration.

ANOTHER SOURCE OF POTASH

HUMBOLDT county is enjoying a boom through the discovery of a formation which the locator believes is going to establish Nevada as the great potash state of the Union. Let us hope this will prove correct and that another year will see added to the state's industries the production of this element in a commercial form. Nevertheless it should not be forgotten that some of the greatest disappointments of the age have been through not finding potash in places where the superficial appearance warranted the assumption that the mineral was present in profitable quantities.

Potash is being produced in Canada by a new process which utilizes cement mill waste and can be used in its direct recovery from feldspar and similar rock. No opinion regarding the commercial value of this invention can be expressed at present, but the advisory council of scientific and industrial research which was appointed a few months ago by the Dominion government seems to have great faith in it and is said to have achieved some remarkable results. Every elementary text book on geology and inorganic chemistry describes the large proportions of potash contained in feldspar and many other common rocks of the same generic type.

The existence of vast quantities of potash in refractory forms all over this country is well established, but the cost of extracting the potash and converting into soluble salts suitable for fertilizer is prohibitive as far as is known. Some inventor may work out a practical way of disintegrating these rocks to secure soluble potash salts. The idea is not inherently impossible. Aluminum is now extracted from such rocks so cheaply that it competes with copper. Fifty years ago chemists and geologists knew just as well as they do now that these refractory rocks contained aluminum and potash, and at that time it was considered as vain to think of extracting aluminum as a commercial metal as most people believe today that it is impossible to produce potash along similar lines.

Scientists who have been studying the problem of producing potash from refractory material have progressed to the point at which they know how to recover a large amount of potash as a by-product in the manufacture of Portland cement. A Canadian cement mill is now turning out more than fifteen tons of muriate of potash a day, and an American cement mill with a capacity of fifteen hundred cars of cement a day is recovering twenty tons a day of this potash salt. Before the war when the price of muriate of potash in the United States varied from thirty to forty dollars a ton, the average daily consumption of potash salts ran up to four hundred tons a day, most of which was used in making commercial fertilizer. Extracting potash from refractory rocks such as feldspar is an old idea, but that is no reason why it should not be commercially feasible.

After reading the reports from Paris there should be a great rush of enlistments to fill the quota of every state in the Union. Just think of all the pretty girls of the French capital falling on the necks of the "Sammy" from Yankeland and kissing—yes, actually kissing them. And everybody should know what is meant by a warm voluptuous French kiss of the all-pervading order that just simply makes a fellow feel like an only son inheriting a million or two.

MUCKING A HOWLING SUCCESS WITH PHENOMENAL RESULTS

There have been events and events in every Fourth of July programme, but there never has been an event that excited so much interest as the mucking contest which was incorporated in the programme this year. From the first mention it was evident that the muscle men of the district would settle many of their old grudges in the mucking bin and that records would be established for the benefit of posterity when it will be said that the miners of Tonopah were Trojans in their day. From the completion of the bins last Saturday night a keenly interested crowd hovered around the mucking center and thousands of dollars were wagered long before the official contest was called. To the man who lives in the glorious sunlight and spends his days a thousand feet above the thickest and warmest mine workings the mucking contest was a revelation, while from an athletic standpoint it was a marvellous exhibition of science applied to the business end of the muckstick and deftness in handling the rock that ranks as the base of Tonopah's fortunes. Stripped to the waist the boys attacked the pile of rock in various styles. Some of the men rushed at the work and quickly quit when they found it was not a game where nervous energy counted. Some of the boys concluded there were other and

The results were as follows:

Name	Time
Bacich, Steve	15:49½
Blomquist	17:4
Niemi, Tim	17:18
Kenisovich, Joseph	17:34
Zubac, Pete	*
Drascovich, John	20:6
Papas, Geo.	*
Kvocka, Emil	22:24
Srlonen, Mike	*
Slipich, Max	*
Crnkovic, Tony	Did't show
Harold, James	20:5
Thomas, Ben	*
Tikkaenen, Pete	17:39 3-16
Kult, John	18:8
Nickovich, P.	18:44
Skupos, Louis	18:32
Palvanas, Angel	22:12
Jensen	17:57
Grotti, Jim	*

*Did not finish the job.

The contest was in charge of Ivan Arnold, who was on the job from early morning until the last man walked out of the box. The judges were Letson Balliet, Joe Cori and Tom Spratt.

This is the first mucking contest held in Tonopah and the undoubted success of the innovation will establish it as one of the best drawing cards of future celebrations.

CURBING THE MISSISSIPPI

Father of Waters at Times Becomes an Unwelcome Guest.

When the Father of Waters comes to town with all his family, as he does every ten or eleven years, we hope at some near time hereafter to exert a control over our visitor through the many millions congress has provided. The Father of Waters himself is a genial old friend on most occasions, but when he comes down the valley with the swollen Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Platte, Kaw and innumerable other streams on his back St. Louis finds him like an intoxicated guest, hard to manage and utterly unwelcome.

Old Mississippi is to be made to take a more circumspect path and not stagger over the adjacent country. In fact, we do not wish him to stop at all, but hurry through and begone with him to the gulf as fast as he can make his way. Most of our water is believed to come from the gulf of Mexico, and we wish to return it after we have used all we can by absorption. We are no gluttons, and enough Mississippi is enough. We adore it "fourteen feet through the valley," but not forty-two.

We are not yet entirely familiar with the plans by which flood control is to be brought about, but we judge that the river is to be compelled to act with more deliberation in its rising and falling, which is the best thing that can be done until man finds a way to stay or cut loose the rains—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Golden Pots and Pans.

Should the shah of Persia desire to pledge his kitchen requisites he might realize \$500,000. Every saucepan of this monarch is gilded inside, and the dishes which appear on the table are of solid gold, as well as the spoons, knives and forks. The handles of the latter, moreover, are ornamented with costly stones, and some are worth as much as \$100 each.

In preparing lunch for the shah none but silver spoons can be used, and any covering used for keeping cold meats must also be of silver.

His majesty has a staff of over thirty chefs, and altogether those employed in his kitchen number nearly 120. Their wages amount to £500 a week—London Globe.

Protects the Deer.

A kindly act on the part of a railway was the order of the Southern Pacific to its engineers that when a deer is seen on the track at night the headlight shall be extinguished for a moment. More than a dozen deer were killed by trains in California in January. It has been discovered that when the headlight is extinguished, if only for a second, the animals are able to jump to safety. Otherwise the glare of the headlight dazes them so that they are run down before they can escape—Outlook.

CLERKS MAN PUMPS AT THE GLOBE MINES

(By Associated Press.)

GLOBE, Ariz., July 5.—The metal mine workers branch of the Industrial Workers of the World notified Governor Thomas E. Campbell at a conference late yesterday that they would not return to work until every one of their demands were granted by the big copper companies in the Globe-Miami district.

They declared that while they were picketing in conjunction with the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelters they were not in accord with the demands made by this organization and that they would not return to work if the international demands were granted.

General Manager P. G. Beckett, of the Old Dominion company, refused to join the conference and asserted that he will not enter into any future conference with the strikers until he is guaranteed ample protection for the men who have been loyal to the company and remained at their posts.

As a result of Manager Beckett's refusal to enter the conference and the differences between the two organizations which are striking, this week's conference failed to bring the strike any nearer an end.

Governor Campbell admitted that the situation was as serious as he had been advised before his arrival. "The end is not in sight," said Governor Campbell, "and from what I

saw today and from what Industrial Workers informed me, it may even require intervention by the government before peace and harmony is restored out of the present chaos."

The governor declared he was disappointed at his failure to make any progress towards a settlement of differences today and said that he would not make any further attempt to bring the factions together until after the arrival of John McBride, representing the department of labor tomorrow.

One of the principal differences between the two organizations is the recent permission granted by Secretary George D. Smith of the International, allowing the pumpmen who are now working in the mine to remain at their posts while the Metal Mine Workers insisted upon them coming out.

Although the pump men are working almost continuously with short crews they were given some assistance today when clerks from the Old Dominion mine aided them.

Wearing white collars, they entered the engineroom and helped the engineers. A truck load of supplies which was allowed to pass the picket lines today will last but three days it is reported. Union leaders refused to state whether they would allow any more provisions to be sent to the men in the mine.

TWENTY EXCURSIONISTS INJURED IN WRECK

(By Associated Press.)

MANISTEE, Mich., July 5.—Two women were killed and twenty, four of whom may die, injured when a trolley car and an excursion train on the Manistee and Northeastern Railroad collided here last night. The dead and dying have not yet been identified.

Our guess is that the first time a girl goes out in a hipless dress she feels like a somnambulist—Galveston News.

Living on Calories.

The cheapest eating in the world is rice and peanuts, measured by the calories, which constitute the only real test. There is no attention paid to the value of food in practical living. Our sole guide is what hits our appetite. We want what "we'd rather," as the poor woman told Jane Addams. There is twice as much living in some kinds of foods as in others, and yet we pass up our plate perfectly unconcerned whether it comes back with 500 or 1,000 calories. That is one reason we are poor.—Columbus (O.) Journal.

Education in Japan.

Money will buy bricks, but it will not always buy brains, and Japan is one of those aspiring but poor countries that are impressed by brains, but not by bricks. There are not ten really fine educational buildings in Japan, but among her educators Japan numbers many men who, as professors in American or English universities, have won an enviable reputation.—Maynard Owen Williams in Christian Herald.

Friendly, but Formal.

"Have you a letter from your previous employer?"
 "No, sir," replied Ernest Plunkley. "I ain' expectin' to hear from him. We parted friendly, but we ain' carryin' on no regular correspondence."—Washington Star.

Head of the Family.

"Are you head of the family?"
 "Not exactly," replied Mr. Meekton. "My position is rather that of the man higher up, who gets blamed when anything goes wrong."—Washington Star.

Not Hard to Do.

"They spend their money faster than they make it."
 "Well, that's no trick nowadays."—Detroit Free Press.

A Substitute.

"So you didn't get that political plum from your congressman?"
 "No, but he sent me some seeds."—Buffalo Express.

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EXERCISES AT BUTLER

Patriotic exercises were held at noon yesterday in the Butler theater. Owing to the counter attraction of baseball game, mucking and drilling contests and hand concert, the attendance was not so large as it otherwise would have been, but the spirit of patriotism was evident and the program was most excellent.

A medley was played by the orchestra, followed by a reading by Rev. Harlan Bailey. Then came a patriotic song.

The address of the day, an eloquent and powerful discourse, was delivered by Hon. Geo. W. Bartlett, Assistant United States district attorney. This was followed by a song by a male quartette and benediction by Rev. Father Diss.

Jack Pershing was duly received by the king. And we suppose the king's mental observation was, "What a big soldier!" And Jack's must have been, "What a little cannon fodder."—Pittsburg Post.

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TALYOR-GAIN NUPTIALS CELEBRATED IN RENO

Miss Hazel Belle Taylor, school teacher of Tonopah, and Thomas C. Cain, private secretary to John G. Kirchen, were married Monday morning by Rev. W. D. Trout at the Congregational parsonage in Reno. Mrs. John G. Kirchen and Edward J. Haug were witnesses to the ceremony. The bride is a graduate of the university normal school with the class of 1909. She is a native of Silver City, where her parents reside. They will make their home in Reno and will occupy the Kirchen residence on Court street, while Mrs. Kirchen is visiting in California during the summer.

"Do we have to be called 'Yankees along with everybody else by those people in Europe?' asks an old Reb. Yes, colonel, and furthermore it will be up to the Dixie boys to put some real yank in Yankee."—Houston Post.
 Hindenburg is getting to be only a name and not much of that—Albany Journal.

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